



Elementary School Board Report

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It's hard to believe we're almost two weeks into school as I write this and homecoming week is already next week. We've had a very positive start to the school year. Kindergarten classes use the first two weeks of school a little differently than the rest of the grades, they recess inside in the mornings rather than joining the older kids outside for morning recess, and they begin each day eating breakfast together at 8:30, this altered schedule will end this Friday and a more regular schedule for these students will begin. Kindergarten also uses Kindergarten assessment days on September 18 and 21 to meet with parents and discuss where the kindergarten students are starting from and things they should be working on.

Our Intervention team has been busy assessing students in reading and math and will use the results of these assessments to help form intervention groups. These groups and strategies for in class interventions will be discussed with teachers during data meetings that will be conducted next week. The meetings will include our Intervention Leads (Sarah Lundebrek and Laura Griffith), our district literacy consultant, Jody Maanum, and the classroom teachers.

Numerous fall field trips are already planned and some are already in the books. Sixth grade in particular did an outing to Glacial Lakes State Park where they took part in hiking, canoeing and kayaking and the very next day attended the Water Festival in Glenwood. Second and third grades are planning trips to Country Blossom and Amazin' Farms respectively. Many other grades are making plans to visit SWELL.

Some important dates upcoming:

Kindergarten Assessment days, September 18 and 21

Data Meetings, September 22 and 24.

Homecoming Week, September 21-25

MAES Faculty Meeting September 24

October Early Dismissal, October 14

MEA Break, October 15 and 16

Respectfully submitted,

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